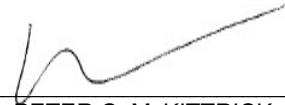


Below is an order of the court.



PETER C. McKITTRICK  
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

## FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

10 In Re:

11 B &amp; J PROPERTY INVESTMENTS, INC.,

12 Debtor.

Bankruptcy Case  
No. 19-60138-pcm11  
**LEAD CASE**Jointly Administered with  
Case No. 19-60230-pcm11

14 In re:

15 WILLIAM JOHN BERMAN,

16 Debtor.

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR CLASS  
CERTIFICATION (DOC. 283)

19 Plaintiffs/Class Representatives (Plaintiffs) in certain state  
20 court litigation have filed a motion for class certification pursuant to  
21 Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7023 to allow them "to proceed on a class-wide basis  
22 regarding all issues in this bankruptcy proceeding, including with  
23 regard to the Nondischargeability Complaint filed previously." Doc. 283,  
24 p. 2 (the Motion). Presumably, Plaintiffs are referring to Adversary  
25 Proceeding 19-6026-pcm (the Adversary Proceeding). The debtors in the  
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two above captioned cases (Debtors) oppose the Motion. See Docs. 289, 290.

The Court agrees with Debtors that the Motion should be denied because Plaintiffs failed to identify a specific contested matter for which they seek certification and there is no basis in the applicable Federal rules to certify a blanket class action for all purposes in a bankruptcy case.

Because Plaintiffs filed the Motion only in the main bankruptcy case, the Court expresses no opinion on the question of whether class certification would be appropriate in the Adversary Proceeding.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Motion is DENIED.

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